

Intergovernmental Water Board

Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2006

Members Present: Patrick Carroll (5:36 p.m.), Beverly Froude (5:32 p.m.), Bill Scheiderich, Dick Winn and Sydney Sherwood (alternate for Tom Woodruff)

Members Absent: Tom Woodruff

Staff Present: Public Works Director Dennis Koellmeier
Water Quality & Supply Supervisor John Goodrich
IWB Recorder Greer Gaston

1. *Call to Order, Roll Call and Introductions*

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. *Approval of Minutes - March 8, 2006*

Commissioner Winn motioned to approve the March 8, 2006, minutes; Commissioner Sherwood seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

3. *Calvin Presbyterian Church Credit for Leak Request*

Mr. Koellmeier briefed the Board on this item. The church is requesting a credit in the amount of \$994.14.

Commissioner Sherwood motioned to accept the credit request for Calvin Presbyterian; Commissioner Winn seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

NOTE: Commissioner Froude arrived at 5:32 p.m.

4. *Deering Management Group, Inc. Credit for Leak Request*

Mr. Goodrich briefed the Board on this item. Deering Management Group is requesting a credit in the amount of \$4947.06. The remaining balance will cover the actual cost of the water that was lost through the leak.

NOTE: Commissioner Carroll arrived at the meeting at 5:36 p.m.

Commissioner Sherwood motioned to accept the credit for Deering Management Group for \$4947.069; Commissioner Winn seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

5. Proposed FY '05-'06 Budget, Water CIP

Mr. Koellermeier summarized the proposed budget.

Major highlights of the proposed budget include:

- Water operations has a little over \$1.2 million in personnel services
- Cost to buy water is the largest budgetary expense at \$3.8 million
- Predicting water demand is challenging and hinges on the weather
- There are some capital improvement costs related to vehicle replacement
- Total operating cost is \$5.7 million

Major highlights related to capital improvements include:

- Purchase of reservoir sites
- \$400,000 for ASR expansion studies to drill and analyze up to three test wells
- Long-term source projects
 - Continue to budget for the Scoggins Dam/Tualatin River project
 - Lake Oswego feasibility study
- Water SDC Component
 - The water SDC component depicts SDC partial or total funding for various projects
 - The Beaverton connector in the vicinity of Barrows Road would provide a second connection to Beaverton at a different elevation and may allow for a shared reservoir in the future
 - Finish paying off the Walnut Street waterline contract
 - Upgraded water mains are needed for the Burnham Street redevelopment process

The impact of water source selection and SDC methodology was discussed. Current methodology assumes the City will pay \$40 million for source development, but all the options being considered are expected to be greater than this amount. Once the source is selected and the cost is known, the SDC methodology will incorporate the actual cost into the calculations. The SDC portion of capital improvements is calculated using a ratio of the existing population as compared to the future population, with the future population making up the SDC component and existing population making up the rate component.

6. *Willamette River Water Coalition (WRWC) Recommendation*

Mr. Koellermeier relayed that this item was a follow-up to the Board's joint meeting with Tigard City Council. As a WRWC member, Tigard has an obligation to respond to the Sherwood and Tualatin Valley Water District (TVWD) invitations to partner in their Willamette River projects.

Mr. Koellermeier asked the Board to provide him with information that would be incorporated into a letter to be signed by the Board chair and forwarded as a recommendation to the City Council.

Mr. Koellermeier stated, from a technical perspective, the Sherwood project is of little interest to Tigard due to problems related to direction and elevation. He suggested if future pipeline right-of-way is being purchased, and the acquisition is beneficial to the group, then Tigard should participate. Sherwood has indicated a willingness to work with its partners in this regard.

Mr. Koellermeier believes the TVWD will execute 10-year agreement with Portland and will work toward the Willamette River in that span of time. He expects the original aggressive pace of the TVWD Willamette River project to slow since Portland is now offering the 10-year contract. Mr. Koellermeier proposed the Board recommend participation in the north/south pipeline within the context of the required voter approval needed to utilize the Willamette as a drinking water source. Mr. Koellermeier pointed to past opportunities, like the Washington County supply line and the original Hagg Lake project, in which the Tigard Water District elected not to participate. In hindsight, these decisions have had a negative impact on Tigard's water supply.

Mr. Koellermeier predicted that 50 years in the future, the area will need both the Willamette River and the Hagg Lake project to satisfy the region's needs. The Board then entered into a discussion about various water options and water option combinations.

There are four routing options for the TVWD pipeline which range from following the railroad tracks to going along Roy Roger's Road to Scholls Ferry. Hydraulics prohibit a route going over Bull Mountain.

Commissioner Scheiderich asked if any part of the proposed Wilsonville/Sherwood route would be shared with Tigard. Mr. Koellermeier said it was possible that a very small portion of the initial route could benefit Tigard.

Commissioner Scheiderich recommended the City share in any part of these projects which offered economy of scale, including treatment plant expansion. Construction costs will likely increase in the future. He added the charter amendment did not preclude the City from investing in such a project as a proprietary function and such property could be leased to other jurisdictions.

Other information regarding the TVWD project is as follows:

- Water from the Willamette treatment plant would be pumped to the 410-foot reservoir which services 60 to 70 percent of the Tigard service area.
- A 20 million gallon reservoir will likely be constructed on Sexton Mountain at the pipeline terminus.
- Tigard will also have to consider costs associated with transmitting water from this pipeline to its storage reservoir.

Commissioner Sherwood concurred with Commissioner Scheiderich's comments regarding economy of scale.

Commissioner Froude stated it was premature to make a decision and added that citizens would make the choice, referring to the charter amendment. Using the Willamette as a drinking water source is a huge issue. Commissioner Sherwood agreed.

Mr. Koellermeier commented that the Board, and ultimately the City, was obligated to provide a response to Sherwood and the TVWD in order to keep this option open.

Commissioner Froude expressed concern about the amount of money spent to continue to pursue the various water supply options.

Mr. Koellermeier stated he needed to get the Board's recommendation to the City Council prior to the Board's next meeting. At Commissioner Scheiderich's suggestion, Mr. Koellermeier agreed to draft a letter and send it out via e-mail.

NOTE: Public Comments were heard at this time.

Public Comments

For future agendas, the Board agreed to move the public comment agenda item to the beginning of the meeting.

Lisa Hamilton-Treick, 13565 SW Beef Bend Road, Tigard, Oregon, speaking on behalf of the Friends of Bull Mountain, invited the Board members to participate in a discussion with Metro regarding incorporation issues. The 90-minute meeting is to take place the last week April or first week of May. Ms. Hamilton-Treick indicated the meeting would be informational in nature and no decisions would be made. Possible meeting times would be from 7:30 to 9 a.m. or from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Commissioner Scheiderich indicated he should be able to attend, but noted he could not speak for the Board.

7. Discussion of Meeting Date and Time

Mr. Koellermeier explained that Commissioner Woodruff is often out of town on the second Wednesday of the month, the Board's meeting date. Mr. Koellermeier asked if the

Board would like to consider changing their meeting date. Each of the Commissioners relayed their availability as follows:

Commissioner Carroll	Not available on the 4th Tuesday of the month, otherwise available
Commissioner Winn	The IWB meeting is coordinated with other commitments, but Mondays may work
Commissioner Scheiderich	Not available on Mondays and Tuesdays and once a month on Thursdays
Commissioner Froude	Another Wednesday might work

Mr. Koellermeier said Commissioner Woodruff had indicated he could be available on Mondays or any other Wednesday besides the second Wednesday.

Commissioner Scheiderich suggested the fourth Wednesday of the month may work for everyone's schedule.

Mr. Koellermeier asked the Commissioners to let him know in the next week or so if they would be available on the fourth Wednesday of the month. In the interim, he will talk with Commissioner Woodruff to confirm the fourth Wednesday will work for his schedule and to verify he intends to continue to serve on the IWB beyond December 2006.

8. *Informational Items:* None.

9. *Public Comments*

NOTE: Public comments were heard prior to item #7.


10. *Non-Agenda Items:* None.

11. *Next Meeting*

The next meeting was not identified per agenda item #7.

12. *Adjournment*

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.


Greer A. Gaston, IWB Recorder

Date: May 10, 2006